Approved: February 27, 2001
Date

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Senator Brownlee at 8:30 a.m. on February 07, 2001 in Memorial Hall Auditorium, 2nd Floor. This was a committee meeting open to all legislators.

All members were present except: Senator Kerr (Excused)
Senator Steineger (Excused)

Committee staff present: April Holman, Legislative Research Department
Lea Gerard, Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Bill Kurtis, Kurtis Productions

Others attending: See Attached list.

Bill Kurtis, a former CBS anchorman shared a high definition video of his ranch in southeast Kansas and his plans for encouraging tourism in Kansas. Mr. Kurtis stated there is a growing interest in the historic value of the great plains of our country. People want to experience the tall grass prairie areas, be educated and learn the importance of the wide open plains.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Next meeting scheduled February 08, 2001 at 8:30 a.m.

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